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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

1. WE HAVE LEARNED INFORMALLY THAT IMRE PAKH, THE SOVIET EMIGRANT HUSBAND OF LINDA KITE PAKH, HAS RETURNED FROM THE US TO THE SOVIET UNION AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE ARCHITECTURAL FIRM WORKING ON THE NEW TRADE CENTER. (WE HELPED THE COUPLE GET TOGETHER AFTER THEIR MARRIAGE IN HUNGARY.) AN ADDED FACTOR IS THAT THE PAKHS ARE HOSTING A RECENT DEFECTOR, A. DAVYDOV, WHO HAS COME TO NEW YORK FROM HIS LAST POSTING IN JAPAN AS A TASS CORRESPONDENT. LINDA HAS REPORTEDLY BECOME CONCERNED THAT IMRE HAS NOT CONTACTED HER AND HIS VISA MAY HAVE EXPIRED. SHE HAS NOT YET CALLED ON US FOR HELP, BUT WHEN AND IF SHE DOES, WE WILL PUT SOMETHING ON THE WIRE TO YOU.

2. ON COMBS' ETA, LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS STEMMING FROM TRAVEL FREEZE UNFORTUNATELY MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO DEPART US PRIOR TO JULY 4.

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3. MYSHKOV CAME BY AGAIN, HAVING IN HAND A COPY OF THE SOVIET NOTE ON OUR PRELIMINARY EMBASSY PLANS, AND SAID THAT HE AND VORONTSOV WERE PUZZLED THAT WE HAD INDICATED THERE WERE SERIOUS PROBLEMS. I REPEATED THE LINE OF THE

PREVIOUS DAY, BUT I THINK I MANAGED TO CONVEY A SENSE  
THAT BROADER QUESTIONS OF LINKAGE WERE INVOLVED.

4. MEANWHILE WE LEARNED THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE  
ACTION MEMO ON STANDING FIRM HAVE BEEN APPROVED. THUS IT  
APPEARS THAT THE ISSUE HAS BEEN JOINED. THERE WILL  
UNDOUBTEDLY BE HIGH-LEVEL SOVIET PRESSURE FOR A REVERSAL.

5. VISA CASES. YOU SHOULD HAVE BY NOW VISA AUTHORIZA-  
TION MESSAGES ON OUTSTANDING CASES WITH EXCEPTION OF  
KRESTYANOV AND ASTAFYEV, WHO ARE COMING FOR SRI CONFER-  
ENCE. WE COULD NOT GET DECISION OUT OF INS TODAY, BUT  
HOPE TO DO SO FIRST THING OOB FRIDAY -- WHICH PROBABLY  
WILL MEAN SATURDAY ISSUANCE FOR YOU. KISSINGER

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